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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/606,772
Filed: June 27, 2003
Inventors: Joanne J. FILLATTI
Title: Nucleic Acid Sequences and Method of Use for the Production
of Plants with Modified Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids
Atty. Docket: 16518.070

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

1. Response to Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures;
2. Copy of the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures;
3. Sequence listing in computer readable form (CRF) for the above-referenced application, on floppy disk;
4. Paper copy of the sequence listing;
5. Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;
6. Information Disclosure Statement;
7. Forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b (3 pages), with 20 accompanying documents;
8. Appointment of Associate Attorneys; and
9. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby

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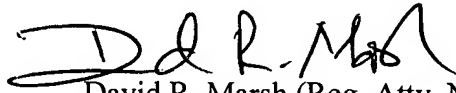
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petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16518.070. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. R. Marsh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "D" being particularly large and stylized.

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Enclosures